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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Majority prices unchanged in the West, unchanged to higher elsewhere. Trade sentiment steady to fully steady, mostly steady. Demand into all channels no better than moderate, best for retail ads and into restaurants. Supplies usually adequate to at times short for light weights and fully adequate for heavier weights. In the parts structure, trading mixed; however, wings tight with good movement and held with confidence. The remaining items adequate to fully sufficient with light movement. In production areas, live supplies moderate. Weights mixed, mostly desirable to heavy.

Final report of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook broiler/fryers delivered to first receivers at major market areas week of 09/18-09/22/00 (cents per lb)

AREAS	US GRADE A		COMPOSITE		
	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS	WTD AVG	LOADS
Bos/New Eng	54.50-56.00	54.97	16	59.33	32
Chicago	50.00-54.00	53.49	46	56.40	78
Cincinnati	TFEWR	—	—	59.82	31
Cleveland	TFEWR	—	—	61.69	13
Denver	66.50	66.43	17	65.14	38
Detroit	52.00-55.00	53.18	17	58.37	51
Los Angeles	67.00	66.24	54	63.46	130
New York	52.00-55.00	53.04	26	56.55	66
Philadelphia	51.00-53.00	51.29	7	52.97	18
Pittsburgh	52.00-54.00	52.73	11	58.01	61
St. Louis	53.00-53.25	52.67	18	56.27	44
San Francisco	67.50	66.73	28	63.08	92

Composite 12 City Weighted Average

Loads	09/18/00	Change/Last Wk	09/11/00	09/20/99
654	59.16	0.78	58.38	55.77

WOG BROILERS (without giblets) - prices paid per lb delv'd to first receivers in trucklot and less than trucklot quantities.

REGIONS	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS
East	57.00-63.00	61.13	45
Central	56.00-61.00	59.31	56
West	57.00-63.00	62.71	56

Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent

Mississippi	62.00-64.00	62.60	82
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GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 62.00 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

LOADS	RANGE	MONDAY FINAL WTD AVG FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT
1,181	50.00-63.50	60.86

The Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed final weighted average prices on ice pack parts:

ITEM	WTD AVG (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)
BREASTS - B/S	173.00	4,465
BREASTS - WHOLE	84.00	1,675
THIGH MEAT - B/S	81.50	795
LEG QUARTERS	28.50	9,240
WINGS	63.00	3,038

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NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYER Trading activity on whole broiler/fryers mostly fair to no better than moderate entering the week. Offerings of the 3.5 to 4 pound birds more than adequate to available, however the lighter weights were well balanced to closely cleared. Retail and distributive movement mostly fair. The market tone was no better than steady on the larger sizes, steady to fully steady on the lighter weights. In the parts complex, bone-in and boneless-skinless breasts generally available, and dark meat items at least sufficient. Wings, no more than adequate to tight.

SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Trade sentiment mostly steady. Demand light and unaggressive to fair with limited trading. Supplies sufficient to in close balance. Breast items more available and interest slowed, but some reported fairly good movement with supplies balanced. Wings tight with good demand, and dark meat in good balance and clearing. In production areas, live supplies moderate at mostly desirable weights.

WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Final majority prices unchanged. Trading for this week's delivery unchanged on regular commitments and unchanged to higher on new negotiations. Buying activity fair. Dealers reported moderate weekend carryovers. Trade sentiment weak on breasts and generally steady on balance of parts. Reported parts trading for this week's delivery into California: leg quarters bulk 29.5-32 and 4/10s 31-33, bone-in breasts 84-91 and boneless breasts 145-150. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG average 59.35 up 1.58 with the volume reported up 8 percent to 28 loads.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER Final majority prices on deliveries this week into Chicago, St. Louis and Detroit increased with Ohio too few to report from last Monday's final. Whole fryer trade sentiment mostly steady. Offerings limited for a light buyer interest. Retail demand slow to fair with food service movement slow to good and best into sit down restaurants. Floor stocks adequate to fully adequate, sizes desirable to heavy. Parts trading spotty with wings most active item. Supplies generally balanced; wings tight and boneless/skinless breasts fully adequate. Trade sentiment firm on wings, weak on boneless/skinless breasts and about steady on other items.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Movement of whole birds good on the balanced to short supply of the smaller sizes; fair at best on the fully adequate supply of larger sizes. Live supplies about moderate; weights mostly desirable to heavy. Processing schedules moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices unchanged at 55 to 69 cents. Trade sentiment steady to fully steady. In the parts complex, wings no more than adequate and where offerings were available they were held with confidence. Other cuts at least adequate for the generally light and selective buyer.

*BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY INCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WING TAGGED TO NEW YORK CITY FROM DELMARVA

BRANDED U.S. GRADE A		
	09/18/00	09/15/00
RANGE	46-70	51-71
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	58.06	58.74
NO. OF BOXES	11,506	11,511
CUMULATIVE	09/11/00-09/15/00	57.63
	09/13/99-09/17/99	57.60
NO. OF BOXES	09/11/00-09/15/00	55,935
	09/13/99-09/17/99	37,541

*7 of 8 plants reporting.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Weekend clearances were fairly good, however, entering the week trucklot buying activity was slow as dealers cautiously assessed the market. Supplies of breast items were at least adequate to available. Dark meat items were more than sufficient. However, wings remained closely cleared to tight at times. Movement into retail and distributive channels was about fair. The market tone was fully steady to instances firm on wings, no better than steady to weak on the balance. Trade sentiment was unsettled.

ICE PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND

ITEM	CURRENT NEGOTIATED TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOLUME /LBS
BREAST - B/S	160	163.67	595,640
TENDERLOINS	180-185	214.19	136,560
BREAST - WITH RIBS	77-78	85.12	326,720
BREAST - LINE RUN	77	80.50	144,000
LEGS	35-36	38.96	302,240
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	27-28	28.51	489,717
DRUMSTICKS	29-30	37.57	151,320
THIGHS	27-28	35.78	167,720
B/S THIGHS	77-78	83.07	51,130
WINGS (WHOLE)	61-62	69.16	358,480
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	12.11	89,720
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	30-35	34.36	81,200
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	45-50	49.47	91,040

INCLUDES NEW YORK CITY METROPOLITAN AREA, NORTHERN NEW JERSEY, MASSACHUSETTS, CONNECTICUT, RHODE ISLAND, AND PENNSYLVANIA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG).

ARKANSAS BROILER/FRYER PARTS

F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED OR CO2 PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	LBS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	620	132.00-172.00	155-160	154.26
TENDERLOINS	95	212.00-251.00	-	224.46
BREAST - WITH RIBS	NO TRADING REPORTED			
FRONT HALVES	81	74.00-78.00	-	77.97
LEGS	NO TRADING REPORTED			
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	720	25.00-26.00	26	25.56
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	2,006	27.00	-	27.00
WINGS (WHOLE)	NO TRADING REPORTED			
DRUMSTICKS	NO TRADING REPORTED			
THIGHS	1,160	25.00-26.00	26	25.83

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

	ESTIMATE	ACTUAL	AVG WTS	ACTUAL	AVG WTS
	09/18	09/14	09/14	09/11	09/07
ALA	3,978	3,892	4.98	3,953	4.97
ARK	5,242	5,117	4.75	5,387	4.48
DELMARVA	2,395	2,398	5.03	2,423	5.03
KY-LA-TN	1,915	1,943	4.25	1,913	4.31
MISS	2,819	2,794	4.95	2,741	5.07
NC	2,634	2,635	5.75	2,607	5.78
TEXAS	2,282	2,223	4.53	2,156	4.58
TOTAL	21,265	21,002	4.91	21,180	4.87
MON	21,265(A)			21,180(A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 18-Sep 2000 is estimated to be 31,815,000 up 0.10 percent from a week ago and up 8.03 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 31,783,000, last year 29,449,000)

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED OR CO2 PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND. **POUNDS**

ITEM	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	608	158.00-220.00	165-170	170.93
TENDERLOINS	250	200.00-255.00	200-210	212.90
BREAST - LINE RUN	73	81.00-86.00	82-84	85.45
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	88	32.00-45.00	33-34	33.18
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	597	24.00-28.00	26-27	26.19
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,172	28.00-30.00	29-30	29.15
WINGS (WHOLE)	86	55.00-58.00	-	56.60
WINGS (CUT)	501	69.00-93.00	72-74	73.71
DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
B/S THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			

WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS
TRADING FOR SEPTEMBER 18, 2000 — F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
50.00 - 56.50	53.35	52.61

The Index is intended solely as an indicator of values for commodity-type product and does not represent industry's willingness to sell or ability to buy.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER ICE-PACKED POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES DELIVERED TO:

IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, AND WI

WEEK OF 18-SEP-2000 TO 22-SEP-2000, CENTS PER POUND

	Price Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	135.00 - 180.00	155.00 - 160.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	74.00 - 90.00	78.00 - 82.00
LEGS	30.00 - 42.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	23.00 - 34.00	27.00 - 29.00
DRUMSTICKS	25.00 - 45.00	-
THIGHS	28.00 - 37.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	57.00 - 79.00	59.00 - 60.00
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	15.00 - 20.00	-
LIVERS	25.00 - 38.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	35.00 - 48.00	-

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY, DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
WOGS 2# & UP - WHOLE	79-90
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	86-87
FROZEN HENS 5# & UP	77
FROZEN DUCKS	135
FROZEN SQUABS	589
DELIVERED TO RETAILERS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA)	
FRESH FRYERS	82-85
ROASTERS 4# & UP	65-90
HENS UNDER 5#	
HENS OVER 5#	72
DUCKS	125
RABBITS-WHOLE	284
RABBITS-CUT UP	289

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY

DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

FRESH FRYERS	DRY PACK	103-105
	ICE PACK	93-96
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK	106-111
	DRY PACK	112-119
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK	94
	DRY PACK	98
DUCKS		149-165

EASTERN REGION PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND FOR DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS. 15-SEP-00

CHICKEN PRICES

FAT CONTENT 15% OR LESS RANGE WTD AVERAGE	-----FROZEN-----		-----FRESH-----	
	FOB DOCK	DELIVERED	FOB DOCK	DELIVERED
		21.00	18.00	
		21.00	18.00	

380,000 pounds, this includes 0 pounds for export shipment

CHICKEN PRICES, WITH ADDED SKIN

15% OR LESS				
RANGE	15.00-17.25	17.50-18.00	-	17.00
WTD AVERAGE	16.09	17.67		17.00
1,072,000 pounds, this includes 352,000 pounds for export shipment.				
15-20%				
RANGE	13.50-17.00	-	11.00-15.00	14.00
WTD AVERAGE	14.00		13.23	14.00
1,524,800 pounds, this includes 524,000 pounds for export shipment.				
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	-	-	12.75-13.00
WTD AVERAGE				12.79
240,000 pounds, this includes 0 pounds for export shipment.				
* INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING STATES: CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, VA, VT, WV				

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Trading was slightly higher. Demand was moderate for fully adequate offerings of heavy fowl. Finished sales were fair. Schedules were normal. Trade sentiment was about steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *
FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 18-SEP-00

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	2-10	5-7	5.96

* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

CENTRAL REGION PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND FOR DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS. 15-SEP-00

CHICKEN PRICES

FAT CONTENT 15% OR LESS RANGE WTD AVERAGE	-----FROZEN-----		-----FRESH-----	
	FOB DOCK	DELIVERED	FOB DOCK	DELIVERED
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

0 pounds, this includes 0 pounds for export shipment.

CHICKEN PRICES, WITH ADDED SKIN

15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	-	15.00	15.00
WTD AVERAGE			15.00	15.00
72,800 pounds, this includes 0 pounds for export shipment.				
15-20%				
RANGE	14.50	16.25-22.00	11.00-14.00	15.00-15.50
WTD AVERAGE	14.50	18.58	11.83	15.16
1,141,600 pounds, this includes 408,000 pounds for export shipment.				
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				
0 pounds, this includes 0 pounds for export shipment.				
* INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING STATES: AL, AR, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MI, MN, MO, MS, ND, NE, OK, OH, SD, TN, TX, WI				

SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN Majority prices were about unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand was moderate for offerings that were still fully adequate for trade requirements. Supplies of finished product were clearing and reported as adequate for needs. The market tone was mostly steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *
FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 18-SEP-00

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	.25-9.5	2.25-6	4.75

AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING TOO FEW TO REPORT
FOB PLANT TOO FEW TO REPORT

* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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